TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1014 – HB 1413

February 21, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires, rather than permits, an elections officer to escort a voter who is a person with a disability or who is visibly pregnant or frail to the front of the line at a polling place at the request of the voter.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$500/One-Time/Division of Elections

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-7-116(c)(1), a voter who is physically disabled or who is visibly pregnant or frail, may request the officer of elections at the polling place for permission to be moved to the front of any line. In accordance with policies and procedures promulgated by the state coordinator of elections and at the discretion of the officer of elections, the requesting voter may be moved to the front of any line at the polling place.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-7-116(c)(2), a temporary sign restating the language of subdivision (c)(1) shall be prominently and strategically posted at the polling place whenever voting is underway at the polling place.
- Based on information provided by the Department of State, passage of this legislation will require 2,500 signs be reprinted with the proposed new language of subdivision (c)(1).
- The one-time increase in state expenditures associated with reprinting these signs is estimated to be \$500.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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